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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 24, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

An Appendix comprising page 893 of the ASM handbook,

Volume 18 and pages 102-103 of Principles and Applications of

Tribolgy (cover and copyright page included).